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BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

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TAXATION.

Having shown the disproportionate rate of our taxation in comparison with other British colonies, we shall proceed to discuss the best means to carry out, what our condition so importunately demands—a wholesale retrenchment. When we say that the very existence of these colonies depends on a radical change in both the system and expense of their respective governments, we are only asserting one of those self-evident truths which even the official mind of Victoria and New Westminster cannot refuse to entertain. The laws of nature are inexorable, and when the inhabitants of a country are unable to pay the demands the Government makes upon them, two courses must follow, either the people are obliged to leave the country or the Government is obliged to come down to the financial capacity of the people. In any case the official must make up his mind to either a decrease in his salary, or the abolition of his office. The error which has been made in the management of every British colony not possessing responsible government is a fundamental one. Instead of appointing the Government to the wants and ability of the people, the people have been required to adapt themselves to the Government. Ordinary tax-payers measure the cost of the man before they cut out the coat; but our official workman first makes the coat and whether the man be small or large requires him to adapt himself to its size. This is the true rationale of the monster garments which have been given to these two unfortunate colonies. In consequence with neither the feelings nor the capacity of the people, their only effect has been to trip up the inhabitants at every step, and make their progress, like the emu's march, an "advancing backwards." The policy must now, however, be reversed—the coat must be made to suit the man, not the man the coat.

In the neighboring colony we have no less than sixty-one officials, averaging close upon \$2,000 each. These men do, on ordinary computation, about ten men's work, and are therefore, however ornamental, anything but useful members of colonial society. So soon as we have Union of the colonies, we shall undoubtedly make short work of them; until that event, however, there is no hope of any reform in British Columbia. The capital, from which should emanate the first notes of retrenchment, would seem, on account of its handful of inhabitants, really to be afraid of losing the official grocery supplies, and is, therefore, gagged; the towns between New Westminster and Lillooet are composed of a population that take very little interest in anything political beyond their own local requirements and a passive desire for Union, and with the exception of an occasional growl are silent; and the miners of Cariboo, who are the backbone of the colony, are virtually powerless in the colony, and are obliged to petition the Home authorities. In this state of affairs, therefore, the only hope of British Columbia, as the miners themselves maintain is Union, and the sooner it comes the better for all parties—the better even for New Westminster; for if there is any position that destroys the energy and saps the vigor of a people, it is that of a dependent attitude; and Union would lift British Columbia's capital be yond the insidious patronage of officials, who are living luxuriously on the hard-earned contributions of the miners of Cariboo. Taxation in the neighboring colony is, as we have shown, \$100 per head—no might even with greater truth increase it to \$120—but we prefer leaving the larger margin. Now there is no earthly reason why this taxation should not be reduced to something like \$30 per man, which would even then be 50 per cent. higher than the Australian colony of Victoria. With Vancouver Island and British Columbia under one Government, instead of the million dollars at present required to be raised by ten or twelve thousand people, we should have our yearly outlay confined to three or four hundred thousand; or in other words, what is now demanded of Vancouver Island alone would sustain both colonies combined. Six hundred thousand dollars saved every year to our shopkeepers and our miners would have no small boon. Many a financial crisis it would have prevented the present year; many an industries man it would have kept in the country; many an enterprise it would have saved from collapse. Our space in the present issue will not admit of much further comment; but we hope in another article to show how the retrenchment we have here suggested can, without the slightest detriment to public interests, be practically carried out.

FURNISH YOUR HOUSE

WITH THE

BEST MATERIALS!

TO BE OBTAINED AT

CHAS. KENT'S,

FORT ST., VICTORIA.

An abridged list of articles enclosed in this morning's Colonist.

L. BETTMANN,

DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, GROCERIES, ETC.

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Lease of Property!

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AND TENEMENTS THEREON.

Messrs. FRANKLIN

Are instructed to sell on

Monday, 18th Sept, 1865,

At their Salesroom,

GOVERNMENT STREET,

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Having a frontage of 240 feet on Douglas

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The terms of sale will be most liberal, viz:

Six months' credit without interest.

Deeds of purchase at the buyer's expense.

For further particulars apply at the

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—OF THE—

AGRICULTURAL

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Will be held on

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COMMERCIAL.

IMPORTS.
Per schr GROWLER, from Port Townsend—
10,000 lbs. lumber, value, \$100.
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Per schr GROWLER, to Port Townsend—
10,000 lbs. lumber, value, \$100.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVED.
Sept 13—Schr Growler, Williams, Port Angeles
Sip C S Kilder, Stowell, Port Angeles
Sip Ringleader, Harper, Nanaimo
Schr Geo. Harvey, Obery, Port Angeles
CLEARED.
Sept 13—Sip C S Kilder, Stowell, Port Angeles
Sip Ringleader, Harper, Nanaimo
MAILED.
On September 12th, at Oak Harbor, Whistling
Island, Capt. Edward Barrington to Miss Christina McChesney.

DIED.

At Kootenay, B. C., on the 11th July, of mountain fever, Robert Macgregor, a native of Georgia, U. S., and one of the earliest pioneers of British Columbia.

AGRICULTURAL SHOW.

The annual exhibition of this society takes place to-day. All animals, produce, and other vegetables intended for exhibition are required to be in the yard between 6 and 10 a.m.; the judges will then perform their duties, and at 1 p.m. the public will be admitted on payment of fifty cents. At 4 o'clock the gates will be thrown open to the public for one hour, after which exhibitors may remove the property. Messrs Jy & Co. we understand have made an entrance through their Nursery Gardens to enable the public view their beautiful display. By permission of Captain Lang the value of the Kilds crops will perform from 2 till 5 o'clock. At 7 o'clock the annual dinner will take place in the Colonial Hotel, which we are informed will be well attended. The members of the Legislature should not fail to be present as they may gather from our farmers and agriculturists a few hints that will prove serviceable to them in the future session of the Colonial Parliament.

PRIZES AT THE SHOW.

At the last agricultural dinner it will be remembered that Mr. Hunter offered a prize of a farmer's wagon, with harness and two draught horses, complete, of the value of \$1000, for the best two acres of hops, grown on the Island within two years. He further offered \$100 for the best samples from ten acres of barley exhibited at to-day's show, and a hoghead of his own ale, valued at \$50, for the best thousand of oak barrel staves. Messrs. Elliott & Stewart also offered a prize of \$100 for the best acre of hops, to be competed for to-day. At the same time Mr. Hunter offered above offer he was not engaged in farming pursuits, but he now intends competing for his own prizes, and thinks he has a chance of carrying off one if not all of them.

COMPLIMENTARY BEREAVEMENT.

In recognition of Mr. Ward's past losses, and of his exertions, now making, to form a respectable theatrical company to perform in this city during the winter months, a large number of gentlemen have offered him a complimentary benefit, which Mr. Ward has appointed to take place in the Theatre to-morrow (Friday) evening. The programme of the entertainment, in which the talented March Troupers, Mrs. Julia Gold Collins, Mr. A. C. Alport, Mr. Tom Lafont, S. Raymon, and others will take part, appears in our advertising columns. The Box Office of the Theatre will be open to-day and to-morrow from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., when seats may be secured. We hope to see the Theatre thronged with Mr. Ward's legion of friends and supporters.

WIVES FOR THE LOST SOULS.

For the lone male citizens of Washington Territory, are nearly in the market. Hon. Mr. Mercer of that ilk has been to see Governor Andrew of Massachusetts, and arranged with him to procure three hundred Yankee girls as emigrants to the Pacific. Andrew went into the movement heart and soul, and Mercer returned to Washington victor, after seeing that everybody in the Government line he finally got consent to the use of the United States transport Demolay for the conveyance of the girls and their wares to the Pacific. The girls are to be sent in moderate sum from Panama to San Francisco and Puget Sound.—N. Y. Corr. Oregonian.

CAMPBELL'S CASE.

Mr. McCreight, instructed by Messrs. Bishop & Courtney, moved yesterday in the Supreme Court that the prisoner Campbell, convicted by Col. Foster, at Suva, for selling spirits to an Indian, and fined one hundred pounds or nine months imprisonment, should be discharged on account of defects in the warrant of commitment. The Chief Justice, after hearing Counsel for a short time, adjourned the case till Monday next that he might see the depositions, and adjourned the case till Monday next that he might see the depositions, and adjourned the case till Monday next that he might see the depositions.

OLIVER'S ESTATE.

We are requested by Mr. John Banks to explain the statement made by him at the Meeting of Creditors in the above estate as the reports given in the morning papers do not place him in the proper light. What Mr. Banks said was that the bankrupt owed him between \$2000 and \$3000 for cash lent the security given having been lost, and that he was now in possession of other world, that he is from \$2000 to \$3000 out of pocket without any further available security.

EXPENSE FOR KOOTENAY AND OTHER MINING REASONS.

Mr. Wm. Read, the indefatigable Kootenay Expressman, will leave by the Enterprise to-morrow morning, carrying an express via Fort Colville and Sheppard, connecting with Wild Horse Creek with Waldron's Express for the New Blackfoot Mines and Salt Lake City. The Express will be made with Fort Edmond and Red River settlements. Office at Dietz & Nelson's, Wells, Fargo & Co.'s, Yates street.

EX-POKRENS.

A case of assault between two ex-members of the police force will be heard in the Police Court this morning. The origin of the fracas we understand, if it goes into, afford some nuts for supporters to crack.

CROWDED OUT.

B. D.'s interesting account of mining and other matters in Cariboo is unavoidably held over.

TO HEADS OF FAMILIES.

Read Charles Kent's circular and advertisement in this morning's Colonist.

DIVORCE.

Annex Anstey versus Francis Senior Anstey.

LONDON HOUSE.

Messrs. J. H. Turner & Co. have added to their well selected stock, per cent arrivals from England, a choice and fashionable assortment of Autumn and Winter Dress Goods of the new styles, including Hosiery, Long Cloths, Linens, Embroidered Collars and Cuffs, and a variety of other seasonable goods.

NO LADY'S TOILET COMPLETE.

Unless there be the Fragrant Soudont: unto the breath sweet odors it imparts, the gums a ruby redness soon assume, the tooth quick and lustrous tint, and even as pearls set in a coral vase.

Sold by all Druggists and Perfumers.

GRATY STAMPER OF MINERS TO THE BLACKFOOT MINES.

We yesterday observed in one of our exchanges a short announcement that "The steamer Marcella had reached the Lower Missouri with \$200,000 in gold dust from Montana, and that new and rich mines were reported on the Missouri 130 miles from Fort Benton." Later in the day Mr. Wm. Read, the Kootenay Expressman, arrived from British Columbia and informed us that the discovery above alluded to was producing the most intense excitement throughout the border diggings he had witnessed. Every person he met was anxious to leave for the new Eldorado. Mexican saddles were alone in demand at \$70 and \$80 each. Mr. Read conversed with a miner who had just visited the mines, having been above the canyon on Williams Creek, by the fall of a bank which he was engaged in undermining. A man who was working with him was also covered up, but escaped with some injury.

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